

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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Vote No. 220

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BUDGET RESOLUTION/Tax Increase for Pell Grants

SUBJECT: Senate Concurrent Budget Resolution for fiscal years 1996-2002 . . . S. Con. Res. 13. Domenici motion to table the Exon (for Kennedy) amendment No. 1190.

ACTION: MOTION TO TABLE AGREED TO, 54-45

SYNOPSIS: As reported, S. Con. Res. 13, the fiscal year 1996 Concurrent Budget Resolution, will reduce projected spending over 7 years to balance the budget by fiscal year (FY) 2002 without increasing taxes. Savings that will accrue from lower debt service payments (an estimated \$170 billion) will be dedicated to a reserve fund, which may be used for tax reductions after enactment of laws to ensure a balanced budget. Highlights include the following: the rate of growth in Medicare will be slowed to 7.1 percent; Medicaid's rate of growth will be slowed to 5 percent and it will be transformed into a block grant program; the Commerce Department and more than 100 other Federal programs, agencies, and commissions will be eliminated; welfare and housing programs will be reformed; agriculture, energy, and transportation subsidies will be cut; foreign aid will be cut; defense spending will be cut and then allowed to increase back to its 1995 level; and Social Security will not be altered.

The Exon (for Kennedy) amendment would increase taxes by \$8.871 billion over the next 7 years with the intention of restoring proposed funding reductions in the Pell Grant program. No offsets are provided, though the amendment's statement of purpose suggests that unspecified tax "loopholes" could be closed. The certain effects of the amendment would be to increase taxes over the amount permitted by the resolution and to increase total spending.

The amendment was offered after all debate time had expired. Senator Domenici moved to table the amendment.

No arguments were expressed either in favor of or in opposition to the motion to table.

For related debate, see vote Nos. 175 and 184-185.

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YEAS (54)			NAYS (45)			NOT VOTING (1)	
Republicans (53 or 98%)	Democrats (1 or 2%)		Republicans (1 or 2%)	Democrats (44 or 98%)		Republicans (0)	Democrats (1)
Abraham	Helms	Baucus	Jeffords	Akaka	Inouye		Mikulski- ²
Ashcroft	Hutchison			Biden	Johnston		
Bennett	Inhofe			Bingaman	Kennedy		
Bond	Kassebaum			Boxer	Kerrey		
Brown	Kempthorne			Bradley	Kerry		
Burns	Kyl			Breaux	Kohl		
Campbell	Lott			Bryan	Lautenberg		
Chafee	Lugar			Bumpers	Leahy		
Coats	Mack			Byrd	Levin		
Cochran	McCain			Conrad	Lieberman		
Cohen	McConnell			Daschle	Moseley-Braun		
Coverdell	Murkowski			Dodd	Moynihan		
Craig	Nickles			Dorgan	Murray		
D'Amato	Packwood			Exon	Nunn		
DeWine	Pressler			Feingold	Pell		
Dole	Roth			Feinstein	Pryor		
Domenici	Santorum			Ford	Reid		
Faircloth	Shelby			Glenn	Robb		
Frist	Simpson			Graham	Rockefeller		
Gorton	Smith			Harkin	Sarbanes		
Gramm	Snowe			Heflin	Simon		
Grams	Specter			Hollings	Wellstone		
Grassley	Stevens						
Gregg	Thomas						
Hatch	Thompson						
Hatfield	Thurmond						
	Warner						

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

- 1—Official Business
- 2—Necessarily Absent
- 3—Illness
- 4—Other

SYMBOLS:

- AY—Announced Yea
- AN—Announced Nay
- PY—Paired Yea
- PN—Paired Nay